

NATIVE AMERICAN CHILDREN TRAINING FORUM

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About NACTF

Since 2012, NIJC has received funding from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) to conduct the Native American Children Training Forum (NACTF).

The purpose of the project is to address the unmet training needs of California tribes and tribal service providers who assist Native American children who are victims of child abuse and/or neglect or at risk of abuse and neglect.

Project Sites

Eighteen (18) tribes and community-based organizations participate in NACTF. These sites have received technical assistance to improve their capacity to engage in and/or provide ICWA related distance learning, professional networking and client support services.

To view our NACTF Project Sites, [click here](#).

Trainings & Online Classroom

The trainings and courses offered online are designed for tribal social workers, child welfare workers, social workers, children's services providers, youth advocates, department of justice professionals, law enforcement professionals, elected Tribal officials, Tribal leaders, and all tribal staff or community partners who represent tribal interests in serving Native American children who have been abused/neglected or are at risk.

Visit our [NACTF webpage](#) to learn more about what online courses we offer.

[Register Today!](#)

Upcoming Trainings

- ◆ We currently have 8 NACTF online training courses available for free. [Register today!](#)
- ◆ Training Sessions, see page 2.
- ◆ NACTF Guidance Webinar with all 18 Project Sites, date & location to be determined.



<http://www.nijc.org/NACTF.html>

NACTF Regional Trainings

Dates and times of trainings may be subject to change. For more information on our regional trainings, please visit us at: http://www.nijc.org/NACTF_it-and-training.html



NORTHERN

Topic: **Grant Writing for Child Welfare Programs**

Location: Bear River Casino Resort, Loleta, CA

Presenter: Carol Oliva, Development Officer

Date: Thursday, August 16, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m.

CENTRAL

Topic: **Engaging Children in Culture/Tribal Youth Development**

Location: National Indian Justice Center, Santa Rosa, CA

Presenter: Nikki Lim, Staff Attorney

Date: Friday, July 13, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m.

SOUTHERN

Topic: **Computer Literacy to Assist with Child Welfare**

Location: Harrah's Southern California, Valley Center, CA

Presenter: Kelly Myers, Staff Attorney

Date: Friday, July 27, 2018



Online Classroom & Mobile App

NACTF online training courses are specific to California and federal rules governing the implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA).

To learn more about our Online Trainings and Mobile App, please visit us at: http://www.nijc.org/NACTF_online-trainings.html



Message to Project Sites

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide NACTF project sites with new updates about ICWA related issues, trainings, availability of new courses and resources.

NPC Research is conducting an evaluation of the NACTF project. The Children's Justice Act (CJA) task force is seeking information to determine its future grant program structures. The task force has flexibility in its use of funding to create a grant program and a commitment to Native American communities.

As a project site in NACTF, NPC may be contacting you during this evaluation process. Thank you!

Very Respectfully,

Christy Garcia

NACTF Project Specialist

Quotes from Participants

"My concern for our Indian children is shared across the world and from all walks of life."

"This training made me feel as if I could do this without the grant writer, if I had to."

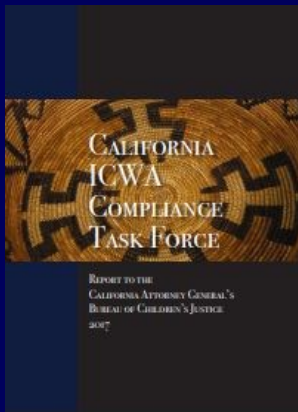
ICWA Resources & Events



A Resource for State & County Child Welfare Specialists

[Défente and Decorum for Child Welfare Leaders "Strategic Teaming and Engagement with Tribes and Native American Communities"](#)

"Understanding the tribal narrative of local history and interactions between tribes and child welfare agencies can assist directors, managers and supervisors in navigating a collaborative path to safety, permanency, and well-being for Native American children. "



A Resource for County, Legal and Tribal Specialists

[ICWA Compliance Task Force Report to the California Attorney General's Bureau of Children's Justice](#)

"The goal was that the narratives and data be used in a concerted effort to target reform at non-compliant entities within the dependency system. The intended audience for this work began as the BCJ but has grown to include many branches of state government and other stakeholders. "



A Resource for Tribal Governments and Leaders

[ICWA Guide for Tribal Governments and Leaders](#)

"The Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), when complied with, can help prevent these unwarranted removals and ensure Indian children are kept safe while remaining with their families. The purpose of this Guide is to recommend actions that tribal leadership can take towards ensuring com-



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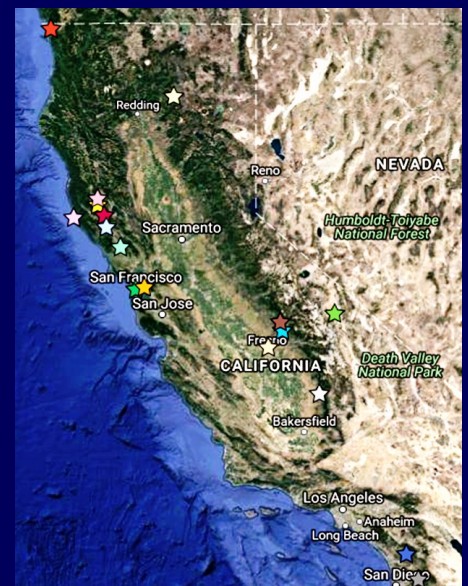
NACTF Online Resources

The NACTF Online Resource Library contains training manuals, books, videos and other media you can download or peruse online.

Please follow the link to access training and technical assistance resources.

http://www.nijc.org/datasheets/calema_icwa_resourceslist.php

For questions or if you would like to add resources to the page, please contact Christy Garcia at christyg@nijc.org



Resources provided by [Tribal STAR](#).

For more resources, please visit our webpage, http://www.nijc.org/NACTF_resources-online.html



Funding Opportunities

Department of Health and Human Services-Administration for Children and Families Strengthening Child Welfare Systems to Achieve Expected Child and Family Outcomes

Deadline to apply is June 18, 2018

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298470>

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Tribal Behavioral Health Grant Program (Short Title: Native Connections)

Deadline to apply is June 22, 2018

For more information go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=304101>

Department of Justice-Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention OJJDP FY 18 Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative

Deadline to apply is June 28, 2018

For more information go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=305143>

Department of Health and Human Services - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Grant Program

Deadline to apply is June 29, 2018

For more information go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=304483>

Department of Health and Human Services-Administration for Children & Families Basic Center Program

Deadline to apply is July 5, 2018

For more information go to: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=298176>

ICWA ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Trump Administration Seeks Review of Native Children's Data Regulations](#)

[How Foster Care Has Stripped Native American Children of Their Own Cultures](#)

OUT-OF-STATE TRAININGS

July 23-25, 2018 in Reno, NV

Key Federal law: VAWA, TLOA, & ICRA

[Tribal Courts: Probation & Sentencing Alternatives](#)

Go to www.nijc.org/training.html for more information.

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